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**The Honorable Cyrus R. Vance
Deputy Secretary of Defense
The Pentagon**

Dear Cy:

As you know, the agreement of 13 March 1963 relating to the National Reconnaissance Program (NRP) provides that CIA will include in its budget presentation to Congressional committees the funds for NRP tasks assigned to the Agency. Last year we arranged a joint presentation of all NRO programs to the members of the Senate and House Appropriations Committees concerned. I believe that it would be desirable to continue this practice this year. Mr. Lyman B. Kirkpatrick, Executive Director-Comptroller of CIA, is responsible for making arrangements for the presentation of the CIA budget to Congress. Subject to your approval, I will ask him to discuss with Dr. McMillan arrangements appropriate for the presentation of the NRP. My recollection is that last year Bob McNamara and you personally attended these meetings, and I was also personally present.

Please let me know if this proposal meets with your

**NRO review(s)
completed.**

approval. In the meantime, pending arrangements for a joint presentation I assume that there will be no need for discussion of any portion of the NRP with Congressional committees.

Sincerely yours,

John A. McCone
Director

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